

Homes for Life



Brunelcare in brief

Sheltered Housing for	1300 people
Very Sheltered Housing for	54 people
1600 hours p.w. of support for	402 people

The year in brief

- 6 new bungalows completed
- 50 new homes begun
- £100,000 spent on aids and adaptations

Walk in showers and clever cookers

In 2005 the 84 residents of **Maple Close** and **Linden Close** celebrated the end of building works to transform their homes. With new kitchens and bathrooms, new decorations and structural works throughout, the two once-ageing sites are now more adaptable to changing needs. Walk-in showers make life easier; new electrics and user-friendly cookers are safer. Residents choose their preferred furnishings and fittings and we kept everyone up to date with progress. The work at the two sites is the first part of a ten-year programme to improve all our Sheltered Housing – creating versatile Homes for Life.

*To stay here –
that's all I want*

Supporting people at home

In 2003 the new 'Supporting People' regime changed how we provide care for residents in need of extra care and support. After months of preparation in the first round of bidding **BRUNELCARE** won service contracts worth £1 million – that's 1600 hours of care and support every week.

One of the unforeseen consequences of Supporting People is just how much livelier the Sheltered Schemes have become, with more support workers making more visits. Our new **shopping bus** has been a big hit, giving people with limited mobility the chance to get out and about.



Following the success of last year's taster classes ▲ residents of **Alder Court** snapped up the chance to study under tutor and artist Sarah Tranter.

